

ATTENTION GRADUATES

California Senate Fellows Program

The application deadline for 2012-13 is February 22, 2012

Established in 1973, the California Senate Fellows program is one of the oldest and most distinguished service learning programs in the country.

The Senate Fellows program grew out of a desire to provide people with insight into the legislative process through experiential learning. It offers college graduates a paid, fulltime legislative staff position in the State Capitol for 11 months.

The fellowship program's primary goals include exposing people with diverse life experiences and backgrounds to the legislative process by providing research and other professional staff assistance to the Senate.

Graduate Students

Senate Fellows receive fully-paid enrollment at California State University, Sacramento (Sacramento State), and earn graduate units for seminars taught by faculty from Sacramento State's Government Department. The graduate seminars are a required segment of the fellowship program.

Office Placements

Eighteen 2012-2013 California Senate Fellows will be selected to serve as full-time Senate staff for 11 months beginning in October 2012. Fellows are assigned to Member or policy committee offices and work as part of the public policy staff team in the Capitol. Responsibilities include helping develop legislative proposals, researching and analyzing bills, responding to constituent inquiries, and writing press releases and speeches. Many of the participants continue their post-fellowship as career staff to the California Senate.

For more information on the California Senate Fellow Program please click here.